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BASICS OF BUNDLING & CONSOLIDATION

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OVERVIEW

- Background
- When Do Rules Apply?
- Definitions
- So What?
- Benefit Analysis
- Alternatives
- Resources



BACKGROUND

Armed Services Procurement Act of 1947
& Small Business Act



"fair proportion rule"

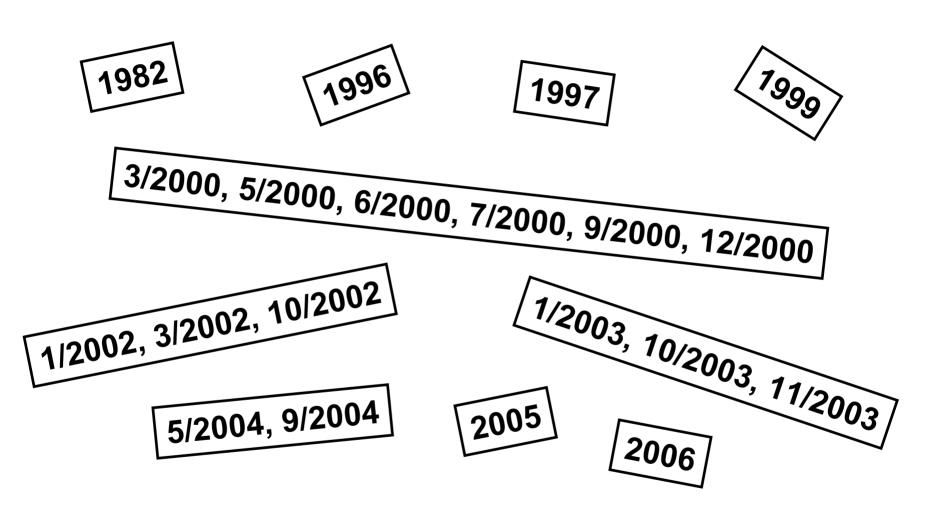
Shrinking acquisition workforce in 1990's

AND increase in procurement actions



RESULT: changing procurement methods ultimately reducing # of opportunities for small business

LOTS OF INTEREST....



Statutes, Regulations, Hearings, President's Small Business Agenda, Policy Letters, GAO Reports, Studies, Numerous Articles, Guidebook.....

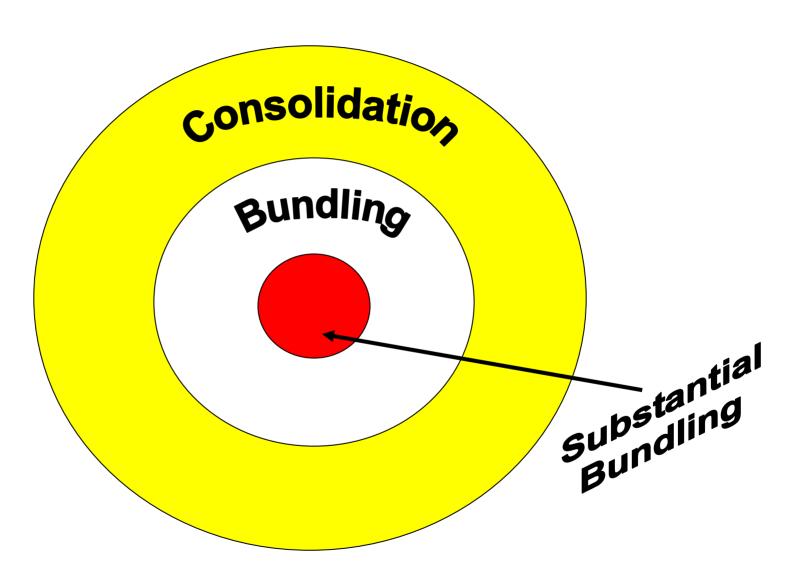
RULES APPLY IF....

- □ Order/solicitation combining ≥ 2 requirements previously procured under separate contracts
- Includes orders placed against:
 - GSA Multiple Award Schedule per FAR 8.4
 - Multiple award contracts per FAR 16.5
- Includes other IDIQ contracts with ≥ 2 sources for same line item under same solicitation

Does not apply if contract awarded & performed outside the U.S.



THE BIG PICTURE





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<u>Bundled</u>	Est value (incl options):	
<u>acquisition</u>	DoD ≥ \$7M; NASA ≥ \$5M; All other ≥ \$2M	SUBSTANTIAL BUNDLING



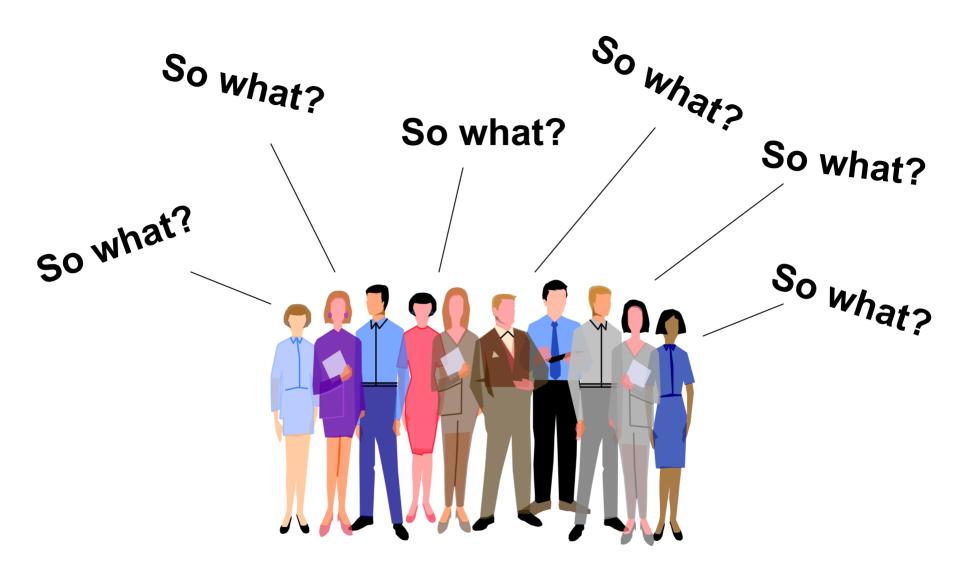
IF CONSOLIDATED....

- □ ≥ 2 past requirement(s):
 - Performed under separate contracts,
 - Awarded to large or small business



- Consolidated into <u>one</u> solicitation or order:
 - Awarded & performed within U.S.
 - Awarded to <u>large or small</u> business







CONSOLIDATION*

ost Opportunities/





*Applies to DoD Only

CONSOLIDATION*

- □ IF > \$5M MUST BE JUSTIFIED BY:
 - Market research
 - Analysis of alternatives
 - Benefit analysis
 - Benefits of consolidation must substantially exceed alternatives
 - Coordinate with activity Small Business Specialist; SBA PCR
 - Senior Procurement Executive approval
 - Document the above



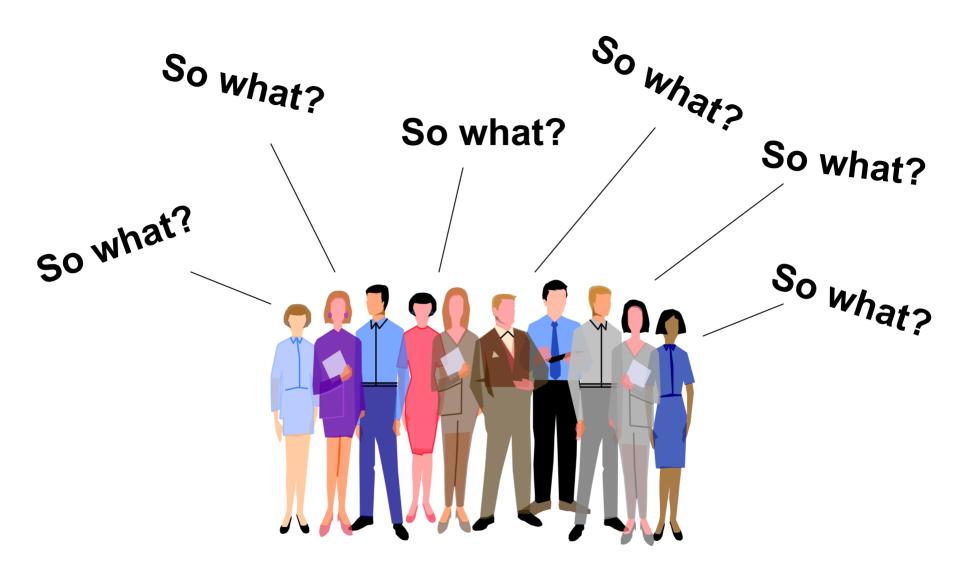
IF BUNDLED....

- □ Consolidated acquisition & ≥ 1 requirement:
 - Previously performed by <u>small</u> business OR
 - Could have been performed by <u>small</u> business
 - Previous small business bidders/offerors?
 - Performed by small businesses elsewhere?



- Combined into one solicitation or order:
 - Unsuitable for <u>small</u> business
 - Diversity, size or specialized nature
 - Dollar value
 - Geographic dispersion
 - Any combo of the above

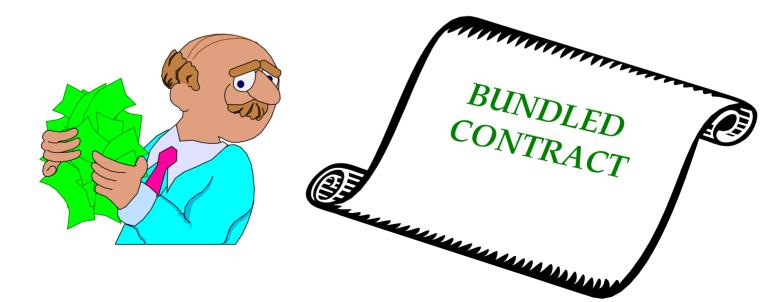






BUNDLED ACQUISITIONS

Lost opportunities! and oisplaces small businesses





BUNDLED ACQUISITIONS

- MUST BE JUSTIFIED & DOCUMENTED:
 - Market research
 - Analysis of alternatives
 - Benefit analysis
 - Benefits of bundling must be measurably substantial
 - Coordinate with activity Small Business Specialist;
 SBA PCR; Agency Director of Small Business
 - Contracting Officer or SAE or USD (AT&L)



REMEMBER: Acquisition is *not* considered <u>bundled</u> if issued as 8(a), under a small business set-aside program, or under small business sole source authority.

IF SUBSTANTIALLY BUNDLED....

- Bundled acquisition
- Estimated value including options:

DoD ≥ \$7M

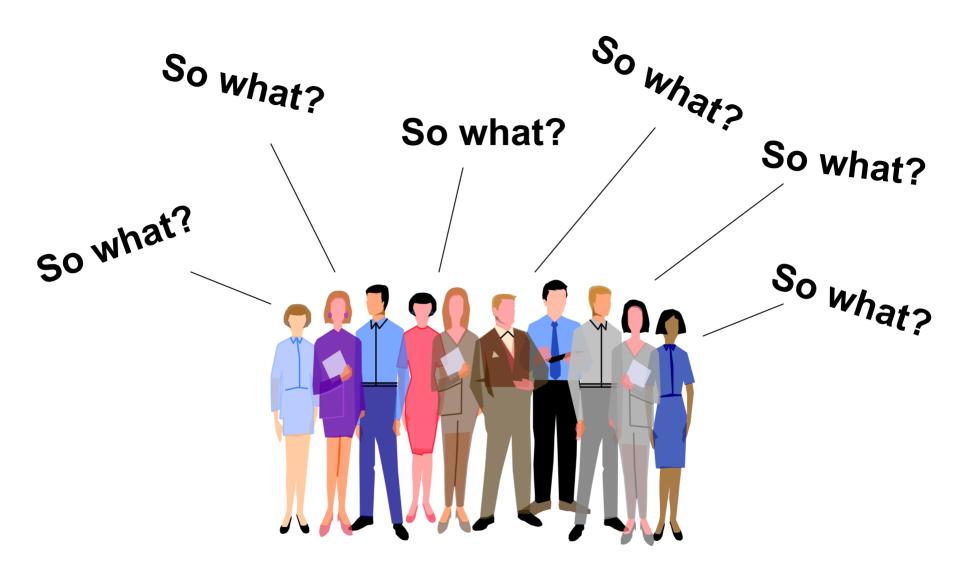
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IF SUBSTANTIALLY BUNDLED....

More lost opportunities! and and oisplaces more small businesses.



IF SUBSTANTIALLY BUNDLED....

□ *ADDITIONAL* JUSTIFICATION:

- Action plan to mitigate effects of bundling including maximizing SB subcontractors/suppliers
- Analysis of alternatives to reduce/minimize bundling & rationale for not choosing
- Same coordination & approvals as for any bundled acquisition



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BUNDLED ACQUISITIONS

- Measurably substantial benefits equal:
 - 10% of estimated contract value (including options) – if value is ≤ \$75M
 - 5% if estimated contract value (including options) – if value is > \$75M





*Reduction in admin or personnel costs alone not sufficient justification unless ≥10% of estimated value (including options) of bundled acquisition

BUNDLED/SUBSTANTIALLY BUNDLED

Displaces small business!

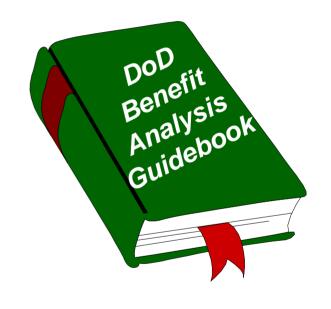
- Notification requirement:
 - 30 days before issuing solicitation/placing order
 - Notify affected incumbent small businesses
 - Info on upcoming procurement
 - How to contact SBA



TANGIBLE BENEFITS

(Examples in Guidebook)

- Price reductions due to economies of scale, etc.
- Cost savings
- Administrative cost reduction
- Cost-avoidance savings
- Personnel cost reduction

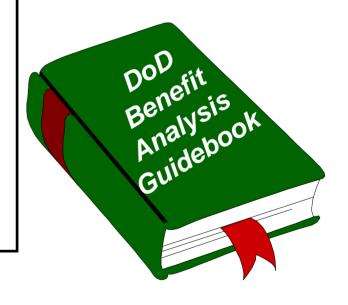




INTANGIBLE BENEFITS

(Examples in Guidebook)

- Technical benefits
- Cycle time reduction
- Better terms & conditions
- Improved service





CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES

- Configure solicitations to be "small business friendly"
- Conduct industry forums or pre-solicitation conferences
- Effective market research history, CCR, DSBS, sources sought notices



 Encourage small business teaming or joint ventures

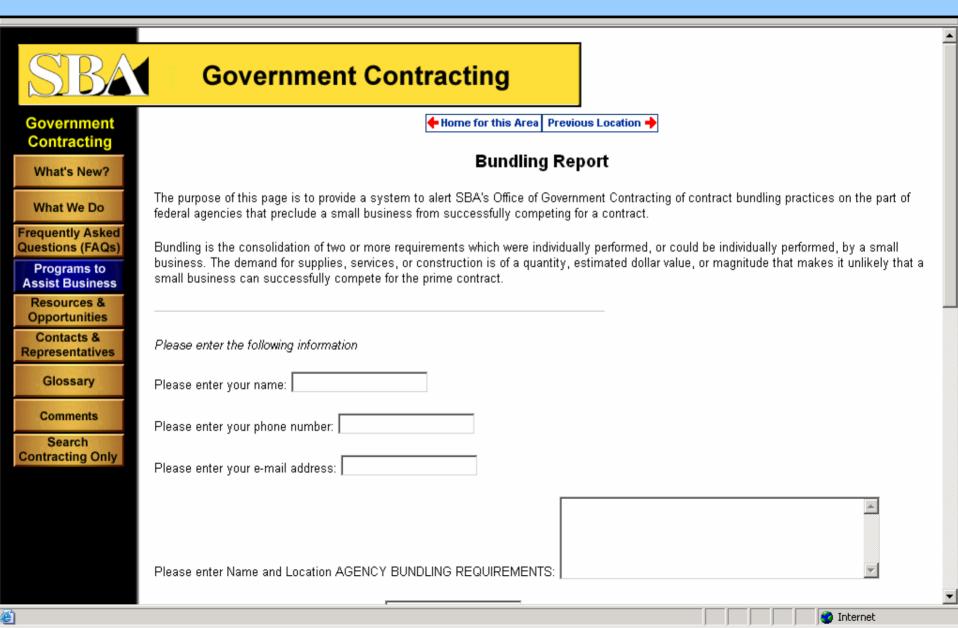


CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES (cont'd)

- Consider negative effect on small business supplier base
- Promote small business subcontracting
 - Small business utilization evaluation factors
 - Award fees & incentives
 - Liquidated damages
- Monitor subcontracting plan performance



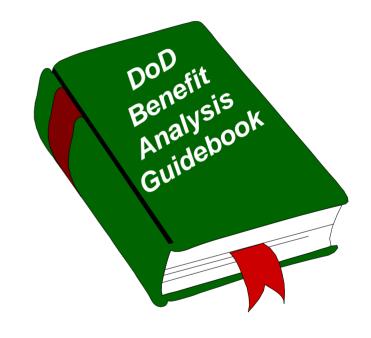
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ASSISTANCE:

http://www.acq.osd.mil/osbp/ under "Resources"

- DoD Benefit Analysis
 Guidebook to Assist
 Acquisition Planners before
 Contract Bundling
 (JAN 2002)
- Watch for new & improved edition!!
 - Includes Samples, flowcharts, checklists, & more!





QUESTIONS?



